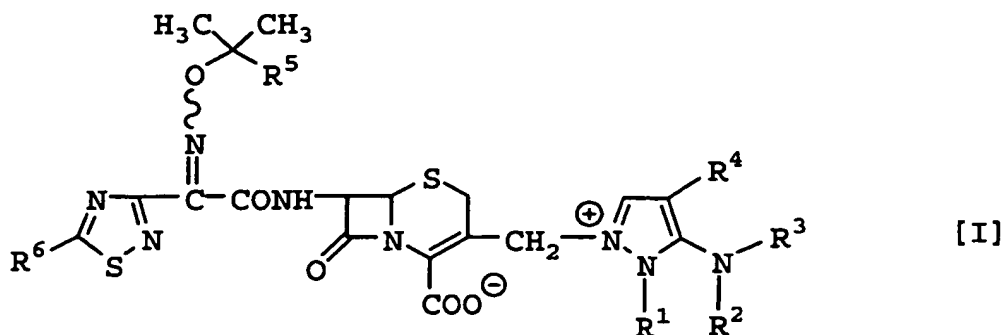


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula [I]:



wherein

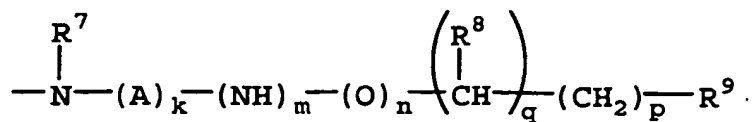
R<sup>1</sup> is lower alkyl, hydroxy(lower)alkyl or halo(lower)alkyl, and

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, aryl(lower)alkyl or acyl ~~or amino-protecting group~~, or

R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are bonded together and form lower alkylene or lower alkenylene;

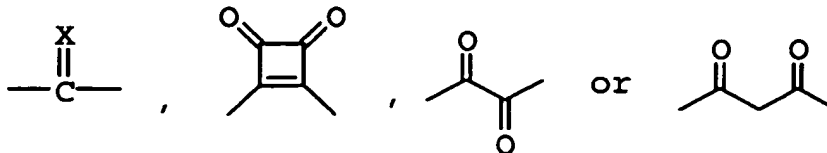
R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen or lower alkyl;

R<sup>4</sup> is



wherein

A is



wherein X is O or NH,

R<sup>7</sup> is hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl(lower)alkyl or acyl ~~or~~